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For: PRODUCTION AND USE OF
DERIVATIZED HOMOSERINE
LACTONES

Customer No.: 20350

Examiner: Small, Andrea

Art Unit: 1626

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Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the
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Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of
this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.